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Subject: Letter of Comment Enbridge 2021 Dawn Parkway Expansion, file #EB-2019-0159

Date: Friday, February 21, 2020 4:11:57 PM

From: Ted McMeekin

Sent: Sunday, February 9, 2020 11:21 PM

To: BoardSec < BoardSec@oeb.ca>

Subject: Enbridge 2021 Dawn Parkway Expansion, file #EB-2019-0159

Dear OEB:

Many citizens of Hamilton (myself included) are concerned with Enbridge's 2021 Dawn Parkway Expansion Proposal.

I believe that the OEB must review the impacts related to the methods of upstream natural gas extraction (especially hydraulic fracturing) for the natural gas that could be transported through this proposed pipeline.

I also want to express my concern about the impacts of downstream consumption of the natural gas that might be transported through this potential pipeline.

My concerns are fairly simple. I reject the idea of fracking for natural gas in the USA and having that gas then trafficked through Canada and back to the USA. I am aware that New York state wisely does not endorse fracking AND that there is currently a moratorium on new pipelines in New York State.

In addition I'm fearful of severely negative potential environment damage that could be inflicted on the Beverley Swamp area in Northern Flamborough. As the former Mayor of the Town of Flamborough, I understand fully the important geological role that this area plays, protecting both Flamborough and the lower escarpment Town of Dundas from the threat of serious flooding.

I am also aware of the actions/interventions of both the Hamilton Conservation Authority with respect to NOT granting an additional easement through the swam/wetlands AND the City of Hamilton's declaration of a Climate Change Emergency. Approval of this Enbridge project would defy common sense and clearly reject the requests of both the Hamilton Conservation Authority and the City of Hamilton.

It would be important for your to hold a couple of public meetings: one in rural Flamborough and another in the Town of Dundas (now part of the City of Hamilton.)

Thank you for your serious consideration of my request to reject the Enbridge proposal.

Sincerely,

Ted McMeekin, former Mayor of Flamborough (6 years) and MPP (18 years) for the riding of Ancaster Dundas Flamborough and Westdale